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Boyd Dansie 7041 West 13090 South Herriman, Utah 84096

Subject: Comments Concerning Kennecott Dumps, Kennecott Utah Copper (KUC); Bingham Canyon Mine; M/035/0002; Salt Lake County, Utah

Dear Mr. Dansie:

Thank you for your letter dated June 29, 2012, voicing concerns about mining at the Bingham Canyon mine which is permitted by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (Division) under permit number M/035/0002. As your letter notes in paragraph 6, you have requested new engineering studies to evaluate storm water events. On June 28, 2012, representatives of the Division and Kennecott met to review the new storm water modeling and designs. They have proposed several new features to add to their existing designs.

The Division suggests a site visit in the near future with you and Kennecott to review your concerns and some of their new designs. Please contact Leslie Heppler at 801-538-5257 or by electronic mail at lheppler@utah.gov to make arrangements for this meeting. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have further questions or concerns. I can be reached by telephone at 801-538-5261 or by electronic mail at paulbaker@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

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